TriTech Small Business Development Center Presentations

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Center Overview

NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center

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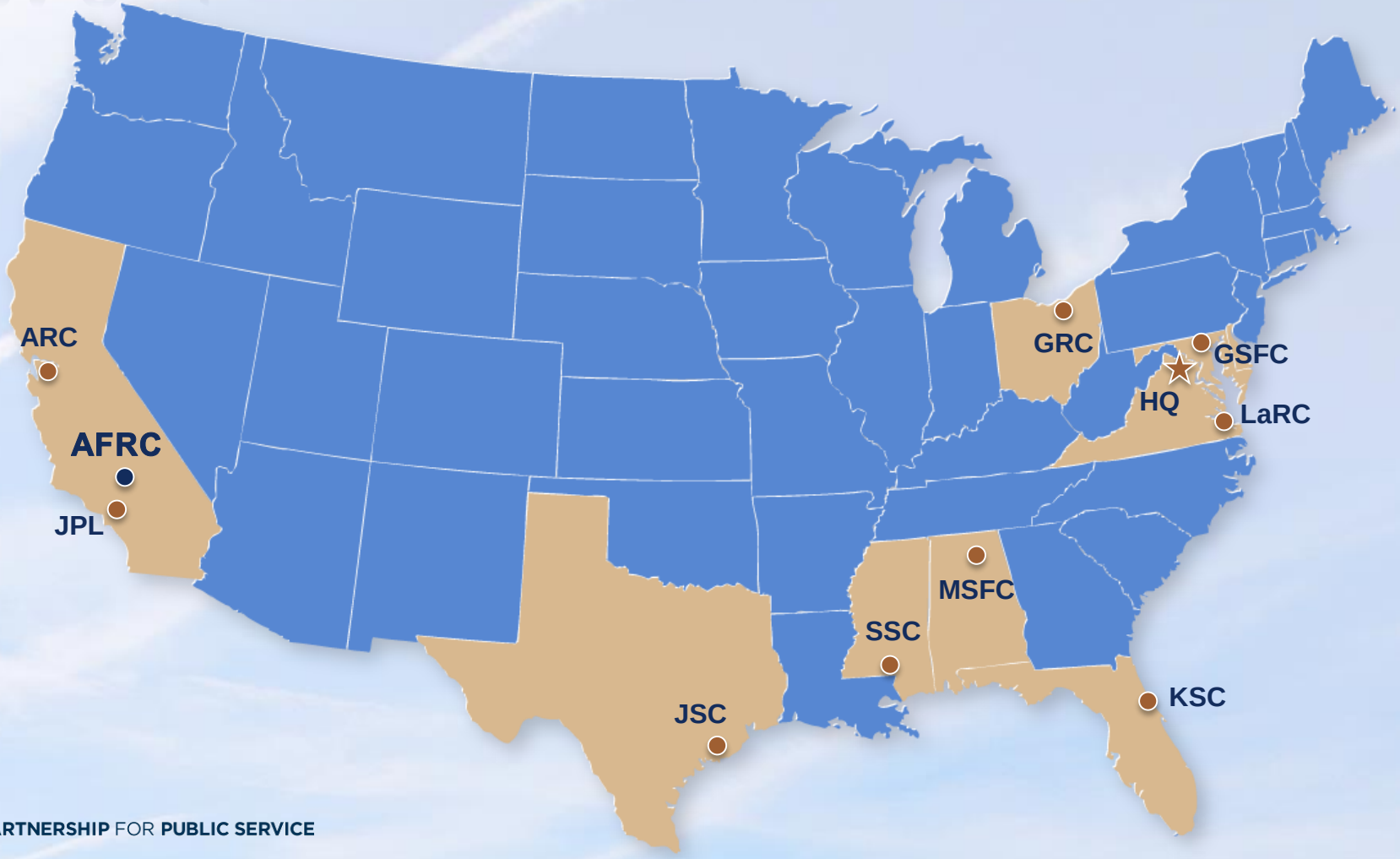
NASA Centers



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Armstrong Flight Research Center

Edwards AFB, California, main campus:

- Year-round flying weather
- 301,000 acres remote area
- Varied topography
- 350 testable days per year
- Extensive range airspace
- 29,000 feet of concrete runways
- 68 miles of lakebed runways
- Supersonic corridor
- U.S. Air Force Alliance

Workforce:

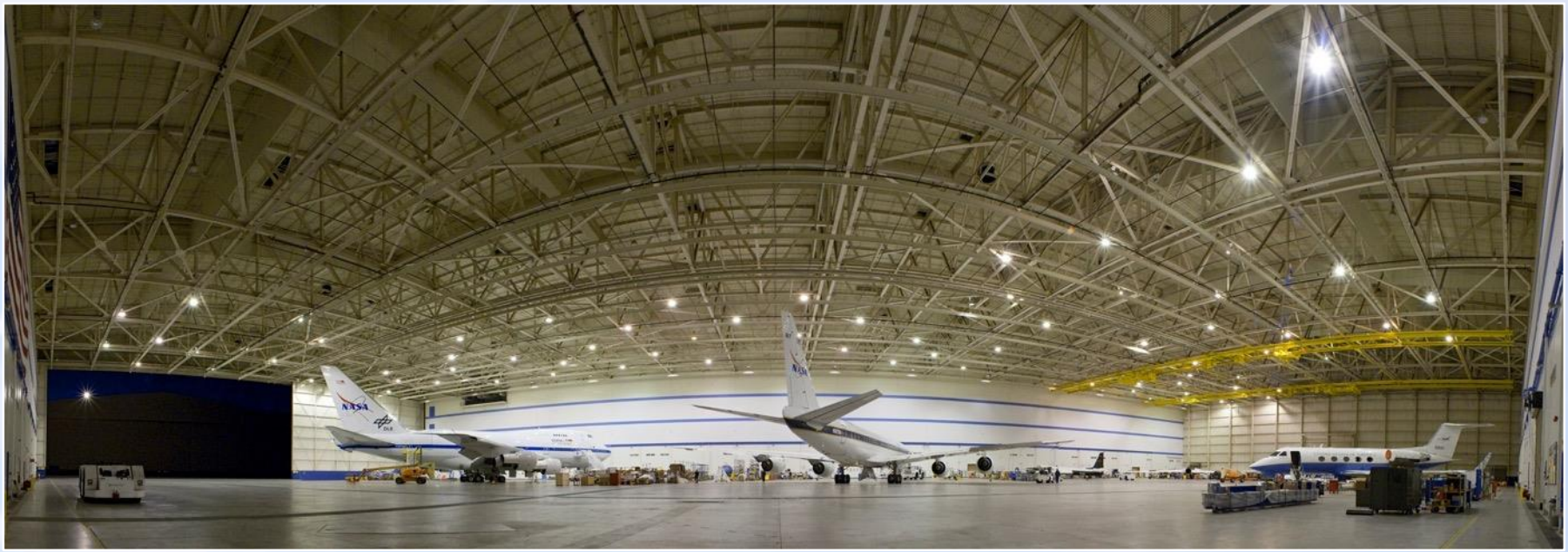
550 civil servants

565 contractors

103 student interns

NASA Armstrong Science Operations Building 703

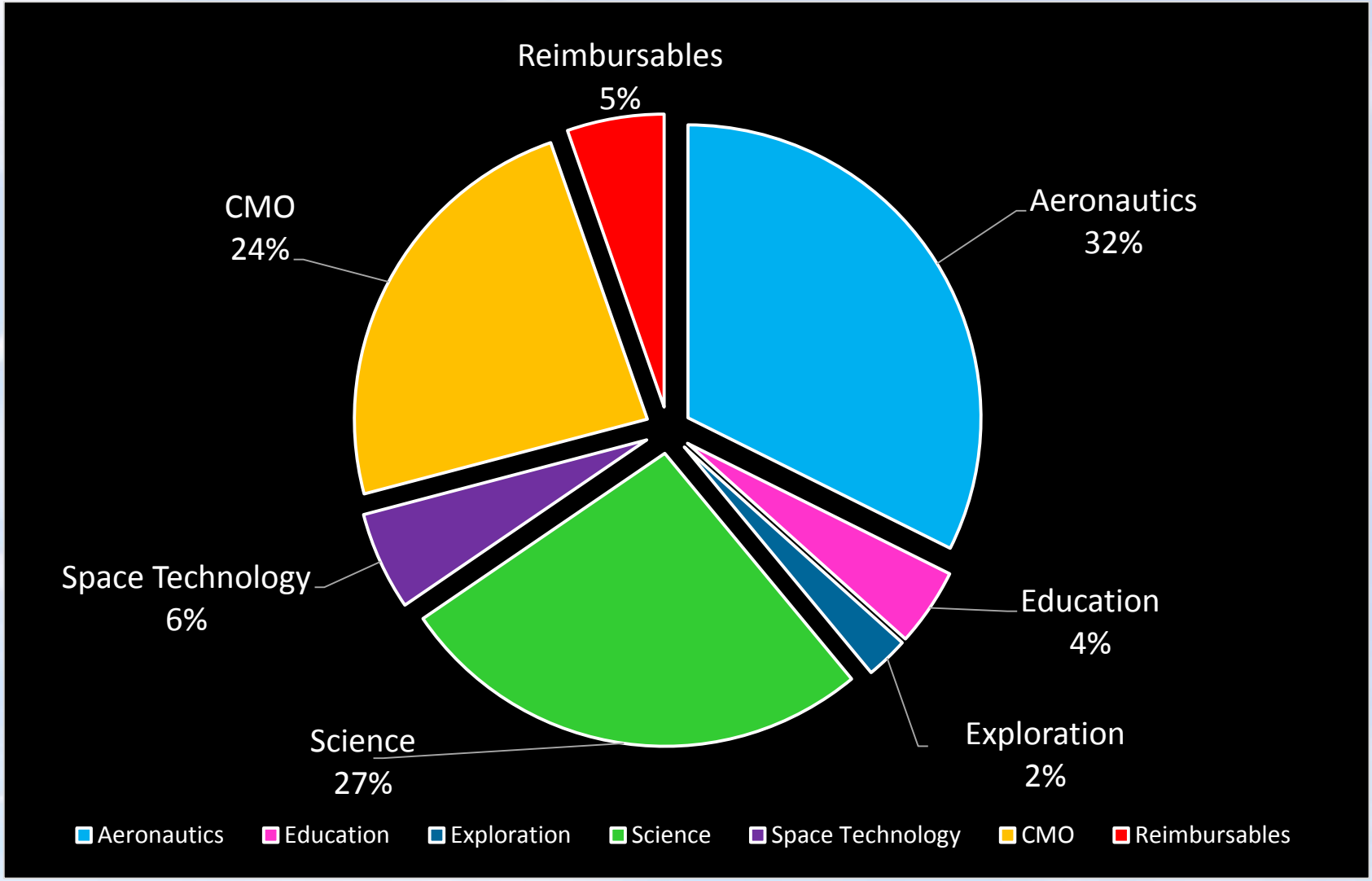
Palmdale, California



Home to

- Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA) – Astrophysics
- Earth Science – Airborne Science

2016 Armstrong Budget Distribution



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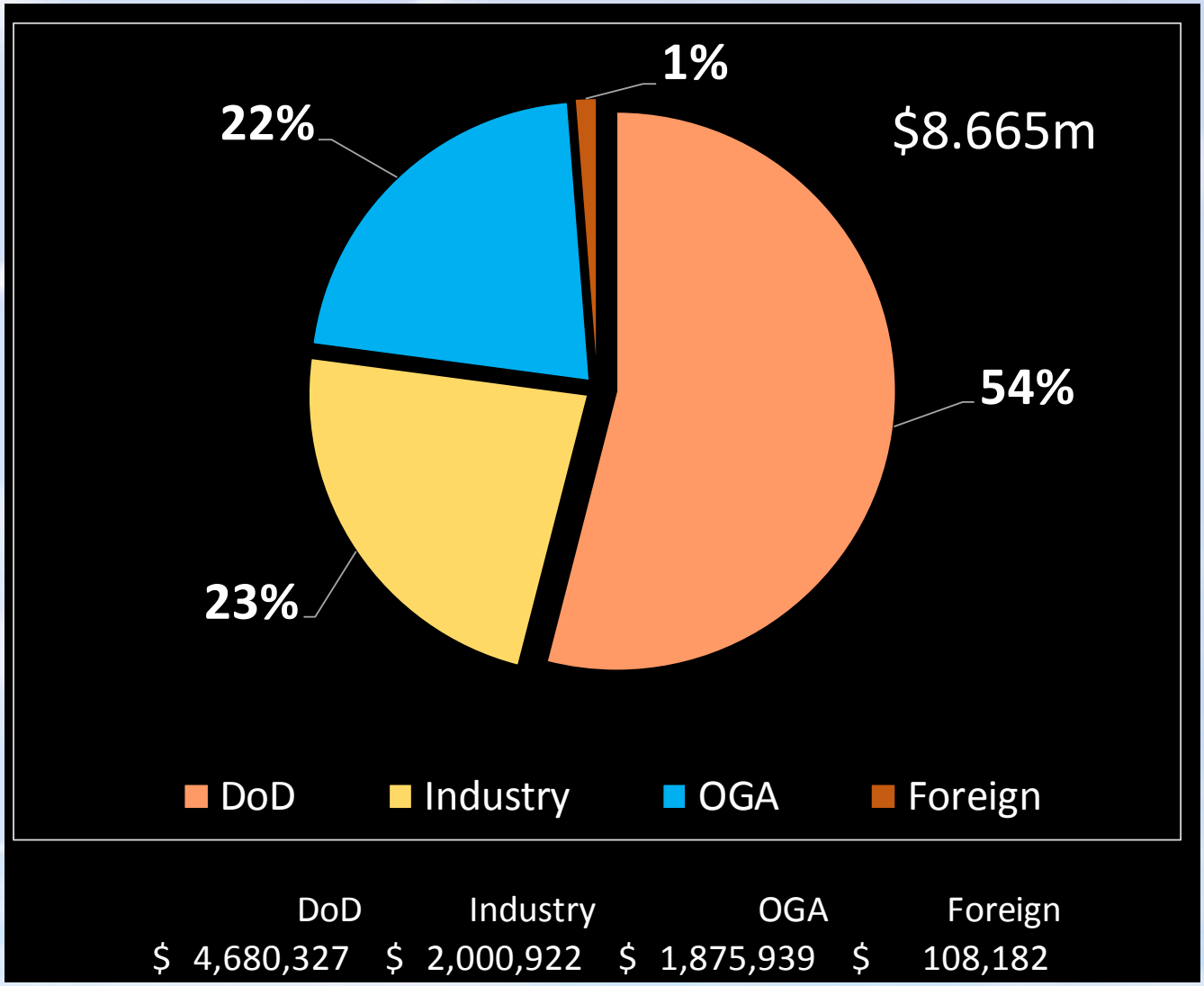


DoD	Industry	OGA	Foreign
$ 4,680,327	$ 2,000,922	$ 1,875,939	$ 108,182

Capabilities and Core Competencies

Research Engineering Enabling New Operational Concepts

- Airframe and power-plant maintenance, avionic technicians, experimental modification and fabrication, flight systems qualification, experimental test pilots, test operations planning
- Systems engineering and integration (SE&I), aerodynamics, propulsion, structures, flight controls, sub-systems, instrumentation

Range and Test Facilities

- Dryden Aeronautical Test Range (DATR)
- Research Aircraft Integration Facility (RAIF)
- Flight Loads Lab (FLL) aerothermal/mechanical loads testing
- Building 703 SOFIA and Airborne Science Operations

Atmospheric Flight Research

- Partnership, program and project development
- Mission, research, flight test objectives development
- Airworthiness certification, ground, flight and range safety
- Technology and systems development, integration, test
- Mission control and range operations

Facility Capability

- Experimental and testbed aircraft
- Unmanned air systems
- Earth science and infrared astronomy platforms
- Real-time engineering simulation

Facility Capabilities

Support Aircraft and Maintenance Organization (SAMO)

Support aeronautics research and science missions; provide versatile aircraft to meet requirements for pilot proficiency, safety chase, photography, video, and research flights in dual-capacity roles

Dryden Aeronautical Test Range Capabilities

Safely monitor and control aeronautics research and science flight activities; provide real-time acquisition and reduction of flight research telemetry and radar data, video tracking, and effective voice communications to flight and ground crews (including ISS/Soyuz VHF support)

Simulation Laboratory

Test simulation-supported software and hardware to develop, integrate, and validate highly complex aeronautics research and low Earth orbit vehicles

Flight Loads Laboratory (FLL)

Provide structural testing – mechanical, thermal, structural dynamic, mass properties – of large-scale structures to simulate subsonic through hypersonic flight conditions

Doing Business with NASA

- **Mechanisms for doing business with NASA:**
  - Space Act Agreements
  - Cooperative Research & Development Agreements
  - Cooperative Agreements
  - SBIRs/STTRs
  - Technology Licenses

NASA Resources:

- Facilities
- Technology
- Expertise

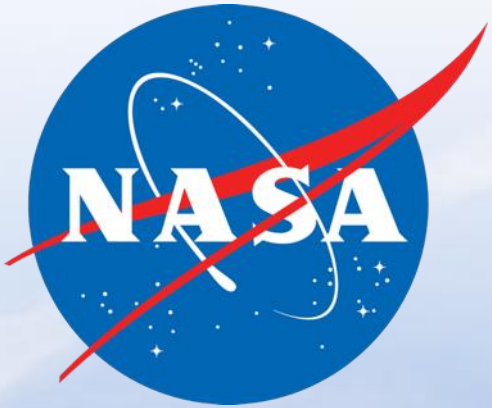
Business Needs:

- Access to facilities
- Access to technology and technical experts

On what basis?

- Common Interest
- Cost Reimbursement
- Keeps competencies sharp
- Keeps facilities in a state of readiness

https://www.nasa.gov/centers/armstrong/business/index.html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TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM

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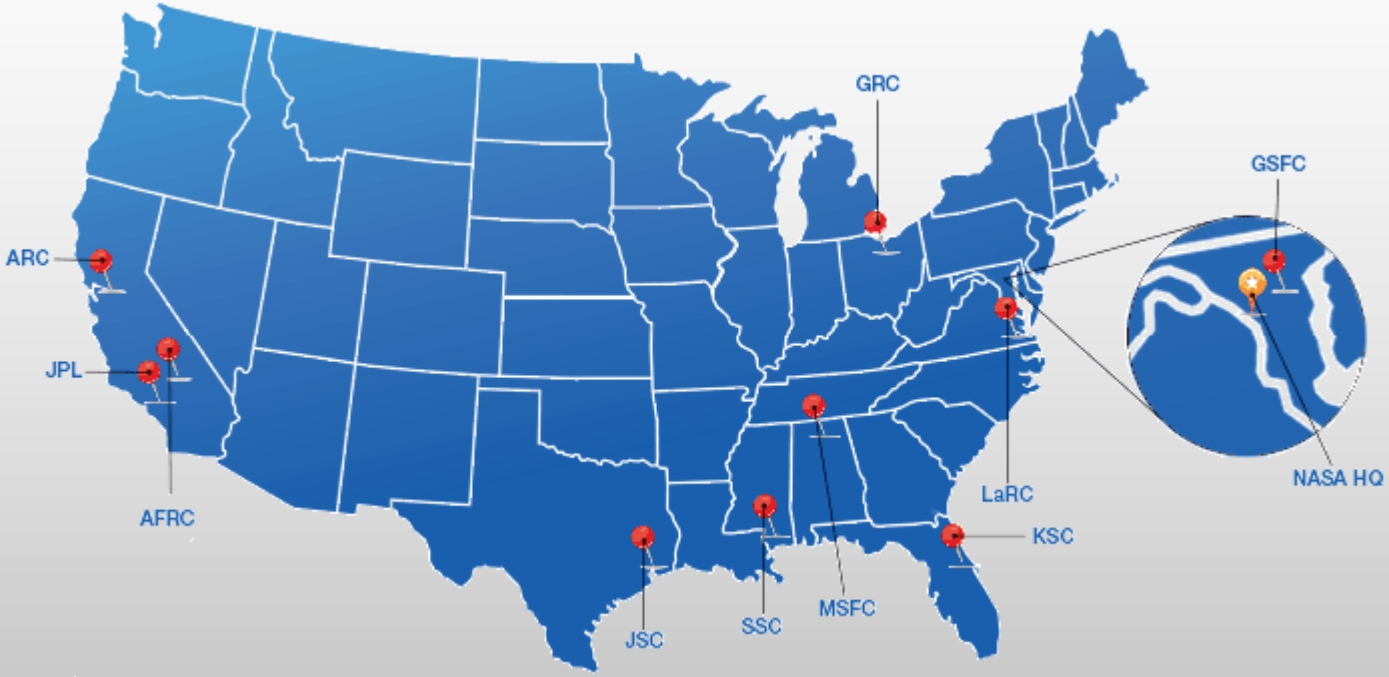
NASA Center Locations



ARC – Ames Research Center. Information technology, biotechnology, nanotechnology, aerospace operations systems, rotorcraft, and thermal protection systems.

AFRC – Armstrong Flight Research Center. Aerodynamics, aeronautics flight testing, aeropropulsion, flight systems, thermal testing, sensors, integrated systems test and validation.

GRC – Glenn Research Center. Aeropropulsion, communications, energy technology, high-temperature materials research.

GSFC – Goddard Space Flight Center. Planetary science, LIDAR, cryogenic systems, tracking, telemetry, remote sensing, command.

HQ – NASA Headquarters.

JPL – Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Near- and deep-space mission engineering, microspacecraft, space communications, information systems, remote sensing, robotics.

JSC – Johnson Space Center. Artificial intelligence and human-computer interface, life sciences, human space flight operations, avionics, sensors, communications.

KSC – Kennedy Space Center. Fluids and fluid systems, materials evaluation, process engineering, command/control/monitor systems, range systems, environmental engineering and management.

LaRC – Langley Research Center. Aerodynamics, flight systems, materials, structures, sensors, measurements, information sciences.

MSFC – Marshall Space Flight Center. Materials, manufacturing, nondestructive evaluation, biotechnology, space propulsion, controls and dynamics, structures, microgravity processing.

SSC – Stennis Space Center. Propulsion systems, remote sensing, nonintrusive instrumentation.

NASA Technology Transfer Spinoffs

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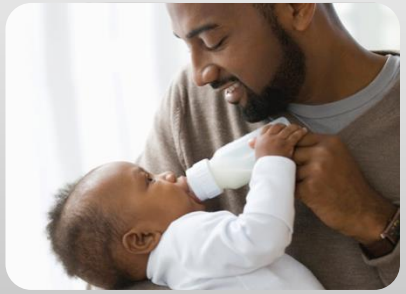
Some of the best of over 2,000 recorded Spinoffs

CMOS camera-on-a-chip technology used in nearly all digital cameras, including smartphones

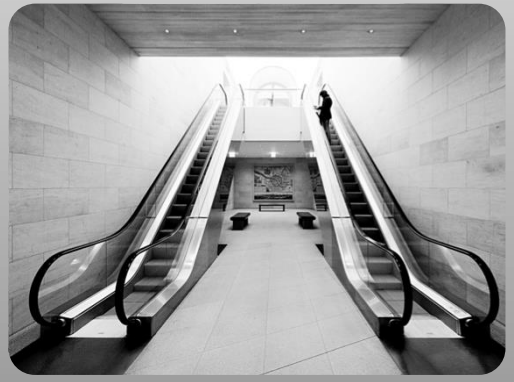
International search-and-rescue system has saved 40k lives worldwide since 1982

Memory foam



Nutritional supplement used in over 90% of infant formulas

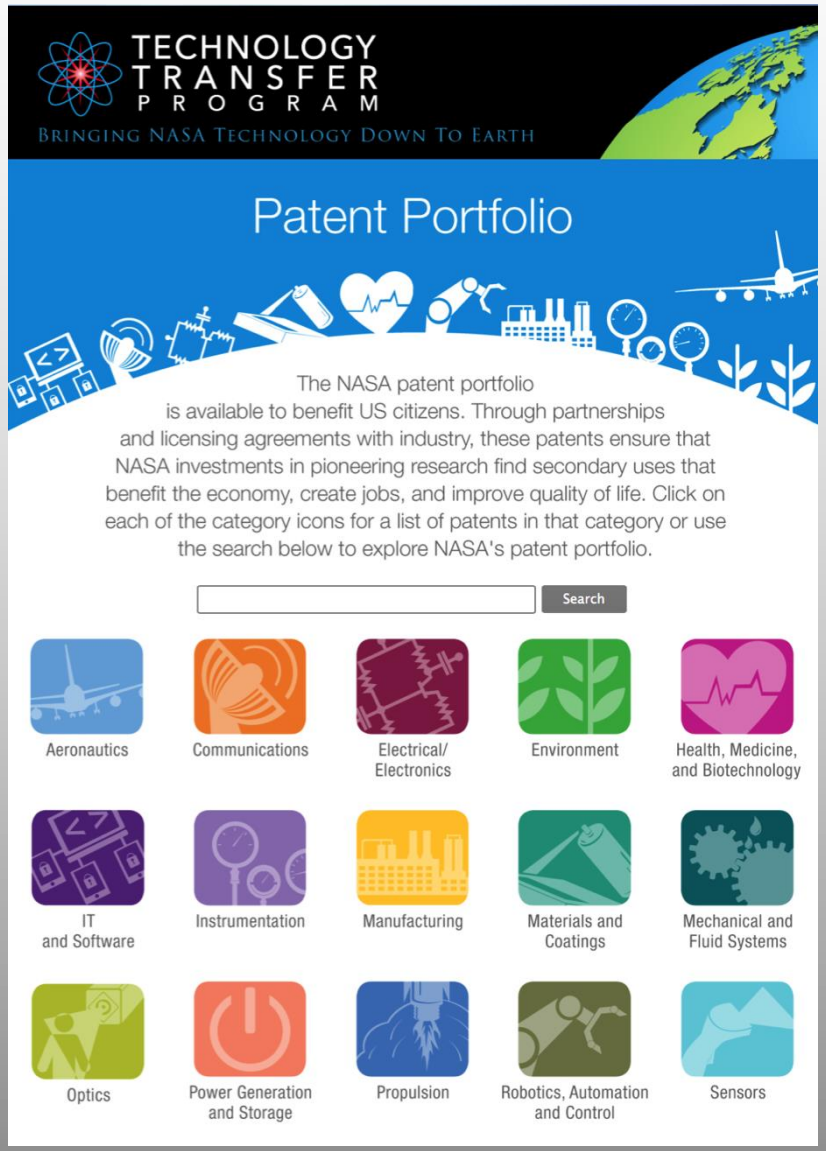
Ubiquitous aerodynamic innovations in airplanes and trucks

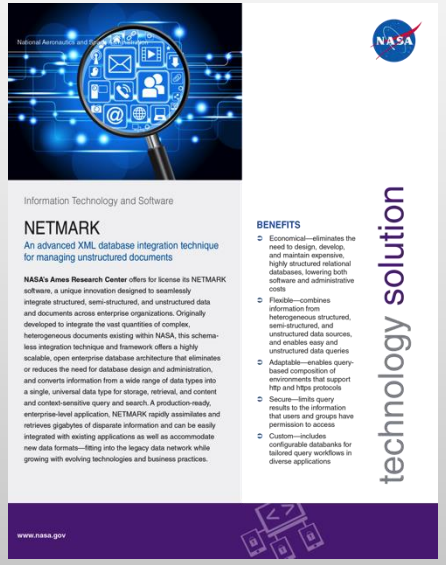


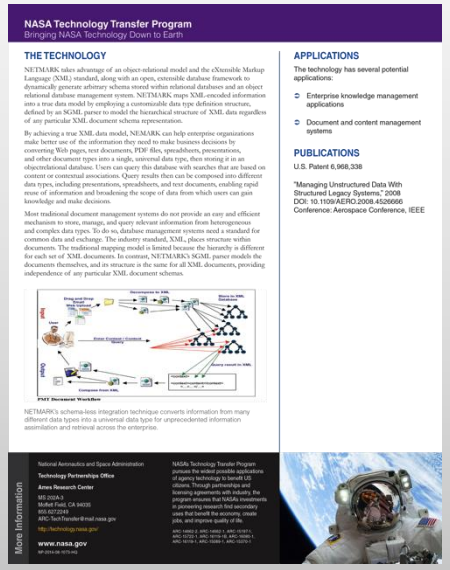
Voltage controller saves energy in nearly all load-bearing electrical machines

Precision GPS enabled self-driving tractors that are now used to work the majority of the world's farmland.

Patent Portfolio







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Startup NASA

The Startup NASA initiative offers startup companies a license with no up-front costs for commercial use of our patented technologies, we're letting companies hold onto their cash while securing the intellectual property needed to carve out competitive market space.

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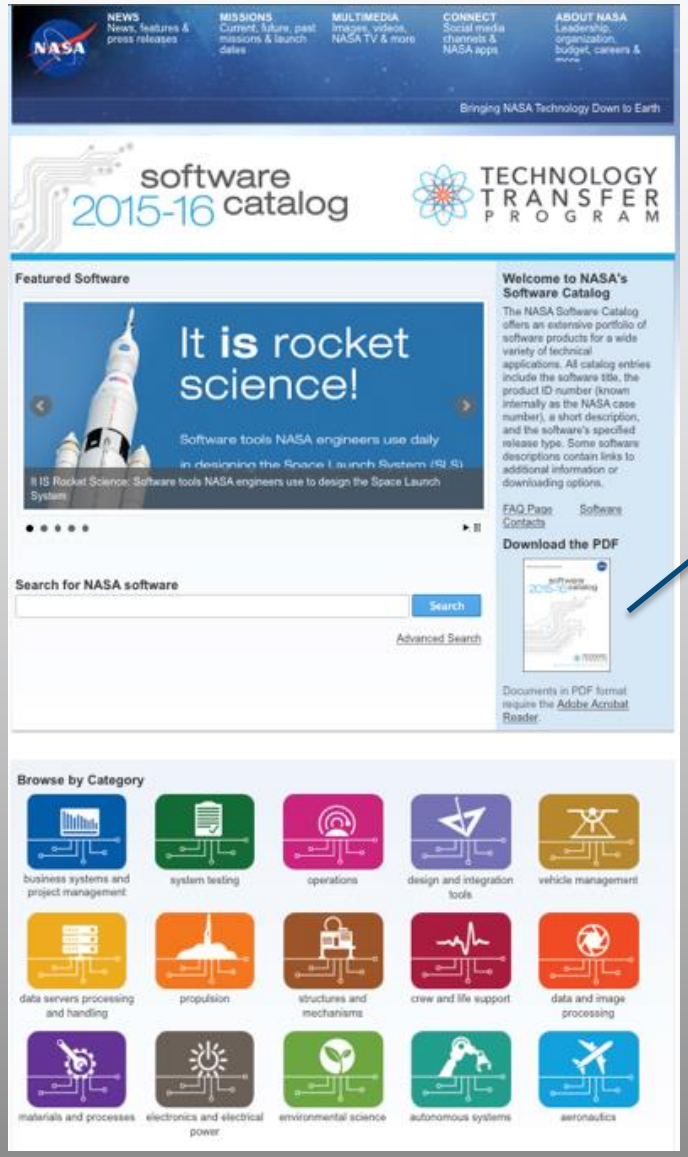
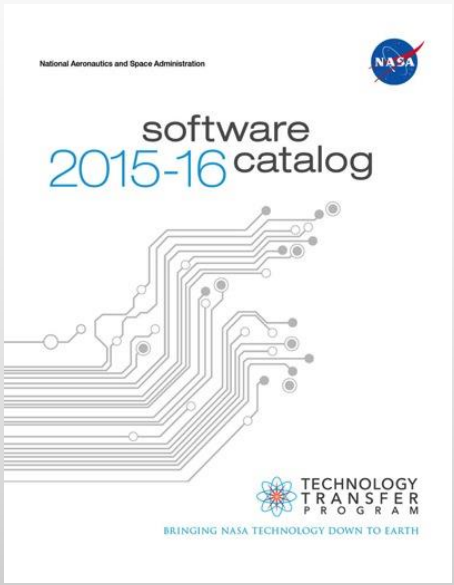
Software Catalog





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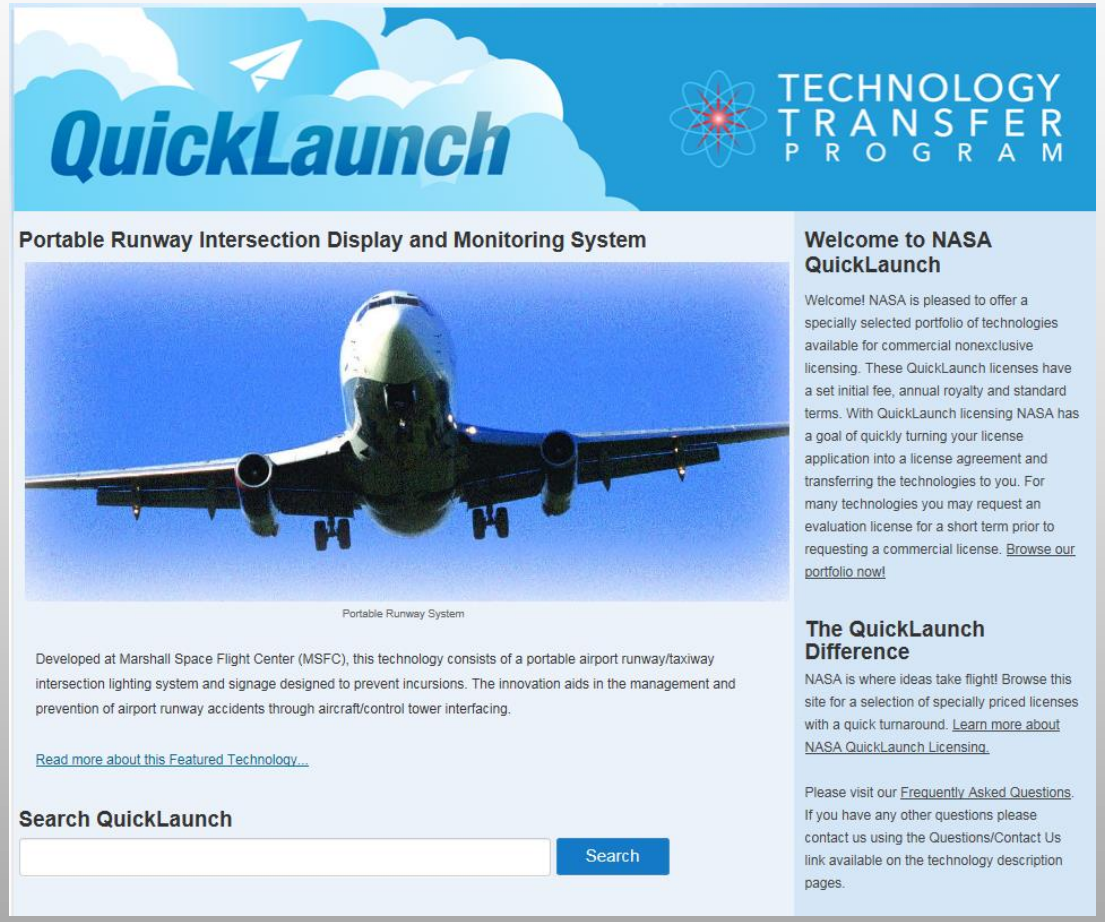

NASA offers a specially selected portfolio of technologies available for commercial nonexclusive licensing with set license terms. With QuickLaunch licensing, the goal is to quickly grant a license.

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NASA technologies save lives, create jobs, and increase revenue

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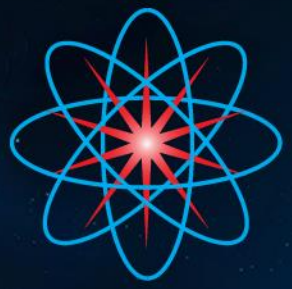

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How to License NASA Technologies
Thursday, November 10th, 2016

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Background

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How to license NASA Technology

Licensing Process

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Types of Licenses

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Exclusivity:

The categories of exclusive licenses include exclusive in all fields of use, co-exclusive, and partially exclusive with a limited field of use.

Note: All prospective grants of exclusive licenses must be published in the Federal Register for 15 days before the license is granted.

Non-exclusivity:

The categories of non-exclusive licenses include evaluation/research, start-up, end-user, "Quick-Launch," and a traditional non-exclusive commercial license.

Space Act Agreements

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Unique authority that enables NASA to collaborate with industry, non-profits, universities, etc. that have common goals aligning with NASA missions

Types of Space Act Agreements

Reimburseable:
NASA has a unique resource that is not available on marketplace and will receive reimbursable funds

Non-Reimburseable:
Achieve a common goal with industry with no exchange of funds

NASA Policy and U.S. Law

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROGRAM

- Top-down agency commitment to technology transfer
- National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958 (as amended)
  - "To provide for the widest practicable and appropriate dissemination of information concerning its activities and results thereof."
- Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-480)
  - Requires federal agencies to have a formal technology transfer program
- Bayh-Dole Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-517)
  - Permits universities, not-for-profits, and small businesses to obtain title to inventions developed with federal funding
- Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-502)
  - Makes technology transfer a responsibility of every federal laboratory scientist and engineer
  - Establishes CRADAs

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Purpose of SBIR/STTR Programs

- Stimulate technological innovation
- Foster technology transfer through cooperative R&D between small businesses and research institutions
- Use small businesses to meet federal research and development needs
- Increase private-sector commercialization of innovations derived from Federal research and development funding
- Encourage participation in innovation and entrepreneurship by minority and disadvantaged persons

Overview

- Every technology development investment dollar is critical to the ultimate success of NASA's mission
  - Ensure alignment and integration with Mission Directorates' priorities
  - Ensure alignment and integration with the Office of the Chief Technology priorities
  - Investments are complementary with technologies being pursued by
    - other NASA programs and projects
    - prime contractors
    - other agency SBIR/STTR investments

- Ultimate objective is to achieve infusion of critical technologies into NASA
  - flight programs/projects
  - ground or test systems
  - or other uses to advance NASA's mission

- Mission Directorates and the Chief Technologist establish high priority needs and existing gaps
  - High priority needs are developed into topics for the annual solicitation
  - Subtopics may be clustered to support the development and maturation of critical technologies for infusion

Difference between SBIR and STTR

- SBIRs are led by the Mission Directorates
  - There are 4 mission directorates
    - Science (SMD), Human Exploration and Operation (HEOMD), Aeronautical Research (ARMD), and Space Technology (STMD)

- STTRs are led by the Office Chief Technology
  - Each NASA center (10 in total) has a chief technologist
  - Each chief technologist sits on the Chief Technologist Council

- The awards are always to a small business
  - In SBIR, a research institution, e.g. a university may participate with the small business
  - In STTR, a research institute must participate with the small business

3-Phase Program

- **Phase 1**
  - The Program starts with the Phase I proposals
  - Feasibility study, 6 months duration (SBIR) or 12 months (STTR)
  - $125K (maximum allowable $150K)
  - Proposer uses funds to mature this concept to the next level
- **Phase 2**
  - Technology or Prototype Development/Demonstration, 2-Year Contract Award
  - $750K (SBIR & STTR – maximum allowable $1 million)
  - The concept may still require additional work
    - May need help to integrate into a system
    - May need help showing operation in a relevant environment
- **Phase 2 Extended, or Phase 2-E**
  - Funding to "bridge the gap" to a Phase 3 opportunity
  - Requires non-SBIR/STTR matching funding
- **Phase 3**
  - Technology Infusion/Commercialization Stage